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SUBJECT: JUNE BOARD MEETING: DESIGNATION QUESTION

REF: STATE 134273

1. APPRECIATE STATEMENT PROVIDED REFTEL WHICH,
FOR THE MOST PART, WE BELIEVE APPROPRIATE IN
STATED CIRCUMSTANCES. HOWEVER, IN VIEW OF THE
FACT THAT BOARD CHAIRMAN CISSE IN FACT HAS MADE
AND, WE BELIEVE, IS CONTINUING EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE
CONSENSUS ON THIS ISSUE, WE PROPOSE UNLESS DEPARTMENT
HAS OBJECTION TO ALTER STATEMENT REPLACING PENULTIMATE
SENTENCE WITH FOLLOWING: QUOTE MR. CHAIRMAN, WE
APPRECIATE AND COMMEND THE EFFORTS YOU EXPANDED TOWARD
THAT END AND WE REGRET THAT THE ACTION TAKEN TODAY
DOES NOT REFLECT A CONSENSUS BUT RATHER A
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REGRETTABLE DEPARTURE FROM THE SCRUPULOUS
OBSERVANCE OF THE AGENCY'S STATUTE.
THIS STATEMENT SHOULD BE FULLY REFLECTED IN
THE RECORD. UNQUOTE.

2. WHILE IT IS AS YET UNCLEAR TO US HOW SCENARIO
IS LIKELY TO EVOLVE DURING BOARD CONSIDERATON OF

THIS ITEM, MISSION CAN FORESEE AND REQUESTS GUIDANCE FOR TWO POSSIBLE SITUATIONS BOTH OF WHICH ARE PREMISED ON FAILURE TO ACHIEVE CONSENSUS AND CALL FOR VOTE BY MEMBER STATE (OTHER THAN U.S.): (A) CHAIRMAN, FOLLOWING USUAL PRACTICE, READS OFF LIST OF TWELVE DESIGNEES WITH ANOTHER AFRICAN STATE IN PLACE OF SOUTH AFRICA. U.S. AND OTHER REPS WOULD MAKE STATEMENTS TO EFFECT THAT DESIGNATION OF THAT PARTICULAR MEMBER IS NOT IN ACCORD WITH STATUTE (WE ASSUME IDENTIFY OF

AFRICAN STATE WOULD HAVE NO BEARING ON SUBSTANCE OF U.S. STATEMENT). MISSION ENVISAGES THAT FROM ENSUING DISCUSSION REVEALING SHARP DIVISION OF VIEWS, A MEMBER STATE ON EITHER SIDE WOULD CALL FOR VOTE. ASSUMING VOTE IS UNAVOIDABLE, AND IS ON QUESTION OF WHETHER CHAIRMAN'S LIST FAITHFULLY REFLECTS BOARD'S OBLIGATIONS PURSUANT TO THE STATUTE, MISSION PRESUMES U.S. REP AUTHORIZED TO VOTE IN NEGATIVE; (B) CHAIRMAN ANNOUNCES CONSENSUS ACHIEVED ON ELEVEN STATES, BUT NOT ON TWELFTH. REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS IN THE EVENT A VOTE-CALL EMERGES FROM DISCUSSION OF WHICH OF THE TWO AF STATES MERITS DESIGNATION.

3. IN WEIGHING THE ABOVE, DEPT SHOULD BE AWARE OF MISSION'S PRESENT JUDGMENT, U.S. NOT LIKELY TO FIND ITSELF ISOLATED IN EITHER EVENTUALITY. WE MEMBERS AND CANADA, AT LEAST, HAVE MADE KNOWN THEIR OPPOSITION TO THIS VIOLATION OF STATUTE. AMONG LA BOARD MEMBERS, WHILE AND COLOMBIA SHARE THIS VIEW. WE WILL OF COURSE
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MONITOR SITUATION CLOSELY TO AVOID U.S. ISOLATION IN LOSING CAUSE. HOWEVER, A NUMBER OF DELS ARE LOOKING TO U.S. POSITION BEFORE DECIDING THEIR OWN.

4. PLEASE ADVISE VIA IMMEDIATE CABLE. TAPE

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